

Wyoming

Data Source: Firearms Tracing System

January 1, 2018 – December 31, 2018

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ATF Firearms Trace Data Disclaimer

- Firearm traces are designed to assist law enforcement authorities in conducting investigations by tracking the sale and possession of specific firearms. Law enforcement agencies may request firearms traces for any reason, and those reasons are not necessarily reported to the Federal Government. Not all firearms used in crime are traced and not all firearms traced are used in crime.
- Firearms selected for tracing are not chosen for purposes of determining which types, makes or models of firearms are used for illicit purposes. The firearms selected do not constitute a random sample and should not be considered representative of the larger universe of all firearms used by criminals, or any subset of that universe. Firearms are normally traced to the first retail seller, and sources reported for firearms traced do not necessarily represent the sources or methods by which firearms in general are acquired for use in crime.

Total Number of Firearms Recovered and Traced in Wyoming in Calendar Year 2018



228

Firearm Types with a Wyoming Recovery

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Pistols	Rifles	Revolvers	Shotguns	Any Other Weapons	Derringers	Unknown Type
118	41	40	22	3	3	1

Top Calibers Reported on Firearm Traces with a Wyoming Recovery



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9mm	.22 Cal	.40 Cal	.38 Cal	12GA	.45 Cal	.357 Cal	.25 Cal	.380 Cal	5.56mm
49	35	27	15	14	12	10	8	8	5

NOTE: There were 36 additional traces that were associated with other calibers. There were nine traces with an unknown caliber.

Top Categories Reported on Firearm Traces with a Wyoming Recovery

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Possession of Weapon	Found Firearm	Weapon Offense	Dangerous Drugs	Firearm Under Investigation	Homicide	Suicide	Aggravated Assault	Burglary	Family Offense	None Provided	Traffic Offense
68	39	38	17	13	13	5	4	4	4	4	4

NOTE: There were 15 additional traces that were associated with other categories.

Top 15 Source States for Firearms with a Wyoming Recovery

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Wyoming	Oklahoma	Montana	Utah	Colorado
85	12	10	10	9
California	Texas	Oregon	Nebraska	Washington
5	5	4	3	3
Arkansas	Idaho	Illinois	Indiana	Kansas
2	2	2	2	2
Virginia				
2				

NOTE: An additional 14 states accounted for 14 other traces.
The source state was identified in 172 total traces.



Time-To-Crime Rates for Firearms with a Wyoming Recovery

January 1, 2018 – December 31, 2018

Under 3 Months	3 Months to Under 7 Months	7 Months to Under 1 Year	1 Year to Under 2 years	2 Years to Under 3 Years	3 Years and Over
13	13	7	10	18	109

1/1/2018-12/31/2018 Wyoming Average Time-to-Crime: **9.45 Years**

1/1/2018-12/31/2018 National Average Time-to-Crime: **8.80 Years**

Age of Possessors for Firearms with a Wyoming Recovery

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17 & Under	18 to 21	22 to 24	25 to 30	31 to 40	41 to 50	Over 50
4	10	7	19	29	36	20

1/1/2018-12/31/2018 Wyoming Average Age of Possessor: **39 Years**

1/1/2018-12/31/2018 National Average Age of Possessor: **35 Years**

Top Recovery Cities for Firearms with a Wyoming Recovery

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Casper	Laramie	Cheyenne	Wheatland	Rock Springs	Yellowstone National Park	Carpenter	Evanston
50	43	33	10	8	8	6	6

NOTE: There were 31 additional municipalities that accounted for 63 other traces. The recovery city could not be determined for one trace.

Analytical Criteria Used to Compile the Enclosed Statistics

Total Number of Firearms Recovered and Traced

- Includes traces with a recovery state of Wyoming. Traces in which the recovery state was not provided were included when the requesting agency state was equal to Wyoming.
- Includes Firearms Recovered and Traced between 1/1/2018 – 12/31/2018 or, if the recovery date was blank, the trace entry date was between 1/1/2018 – 12/31/2018.
- Duplicate traces, Firearms Not Recovered, Gun Buyback and Firearms Turned In are not included in this figure.
- Data was extracted from the Firearms Tracing System (FTS) on April 11, 2019.
- All traces may not have been submitted or completed at the time of this study.

Firearm Types and Calibers with a Wyoming Recovery

- Includes same criteria as Total Number of Firearms Recovered and Traced.

Top Categories Reported on Firearm Traces with a Wyoming Recovery

- Includes same criteria as Total Number of Firearms Recovered and Traced. Beginning in CY 2010, attempted homicide, attempted suicide and negligent vehicular manslaughter are reported in separate categories.

Analytical Criteria Used to Compile the Enclosed Statistics (continued)

Top Source States for Firearms with a Wyoming Recovery

- Includes same criteria as Total Number of Firearms Recovered and Traced.
- Traces must identify a purchaser and the state in which the final dealer is located.

Time-to-Crime Rates for Firearms with a Wyoming Recovery

- Includes same criteria as Total Number of Firearms Recovered and Traced.
- Traces must identify a purchaser.
- Time-to-Crime was calculated for those traces in which the purchase date could be subtracted from the recovery date.

Age of Possessors for Firearms with a Wyoming Recovery

- Includes same criteria as Total Number of Firearms Recovered and Traced.
- Includes traces that provide a possessor and the possessor's date of birth.
- Possessor's age is calculated by subtracting the possessor's date of birth from the recovery date.

Top Recovery Cities for Firearms with a Wyoming Recovery

- Includes same criteria as Total Number of Firearms Recovered and Traced.
- Includes traces with a recovery city, or, if the recovery city was not provided, the requesting agency had jurisdiction only within that city.